

Amendments To The Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description-- at page 1 line 1, before the title.

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 1 line 4, after the title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/004066, filed April 16, 2004 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the benefits of German application No. 10323882.4, filed May 26, 2003, both applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 4, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS paragraph, as follows:

--FIELD OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 10, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 2 lines 4-15, as follows:

This object is achieved ~~according to the invention~~ by a fuel cell ~~having the features set forth in claim 1~~ and by a heating device ~~having the features set forth in claim 11~~ according to the claims.

The fuel cell has, in the essentially known manner, two parallel opposite electrolyte-electrode units between which there is disposed a separator which separates three fluid chambers, namely two gas chambers facing the electrolyte-electrode units in each case and a cooling chamber formed between abutting embossed plates of the separator. This cooling chamber, specifically for a fluid coolant, is subdivided into two subchambers each facing a plate and therefore facing an electrolyte-electrode unit in each case.

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 4 lines 22-33, as follows:

A heating device according to the invention for a fuel cell block, particularly for a humidifier of ~~a the inventive fuel cell having the features set forth in claim 1~~, has a heating element as a flow directing element which is basically constructed according to the separator of the fuel cell. The heating device is laterally bounded by edge plates instead of electrolyte-electrode units. The further developments and advantages described in connection with the fuel cell apply, with the exception of the electrical characteristics, equally to the heating device. The heating medium can be routed either inside or outside the flow chamber formed between the plates. The medium to be heated is in the other flow chamber or flow chambers in each case.

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 5 lines 19-21, as follows:

A number of exemplary embodiments of the invention will now be explained in greater detail with reference to the accompanying drawings ~~in which~~.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 5 line 22, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 6 line 8, after the newly added paragraph, as follows:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION--